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Biennial report of the Board of Regents of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind, at Romney, West Virginia <Fiscal years ending September 30, 1875-6, Fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1877-8, Two fiscal years ending September 30, 1880, Two fiscal years ending, September 30, 1882>

Biennial report of the Board of Regents of the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and the Blind at Romney, West Virginia <Two fiscal years ending September 30th, 1886>

BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE INSTITUTION

FOR THE

DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND,

AT ROMNEY, WEST VIRGINIA,

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1877-8.

WHEELING:
W. J. JOHNSTON, PUBLIC PRINTER.
1878.

BOARD OF REGENTS.

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Physician,

S. R. LUPTON, M. D.,

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VISIBLE SPEECH.

MISS S. W. ALLEN.

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MISS MAGGIE BLUE.

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OLIVER W. SCHAFFER.

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The Executive Committee of the Board of Regents, would rospectfully report that they have this day examined the books and accounts kept by the officers of the Institution, and find them to be correct and supported by satisfactory vouchers.

They herewith return a statement of the Institution's account with the Bank of Wheeling for the year ending Oct. 1, 1877.

C. W. CRAIG, *Chairman.*
S. R. LUPTON.

H. B. GILKESON, *Secretary.*

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1ST, 1877.

Current Expense.

1876.			
October	1,	By balance in bank	$2,759 80
"	1,	" Interest on deposits	180 53
"	27,	" Cash deposited by Principal, (co-order)	119 51
November	15,	" Proceeds of note of Thos. Maslin and I. T. Brady, discounted for 4 months, @ 7½ per cent	2,923 15
Decemben	15,	" Proceeds of note of same for 3 months	2,942 00
1877			
January	4,	" Cash of Thos. Maslin, (loan)	1,000 00
"	4,	" " deposited by Principal (co-order)	56 15
"	9,	" " of Thos. Maslin, (loan)	1,000 00
"	9,	" " deposited by Principal, (co-order)	48 50
February	1,	" " " " "	154 82
March	6,	" Requisition of this date	6,000 00
"	6,	" cash deposited by Principal, (co-order)	71 39
April	3,	" Requisition of this date	8,000 00
"	12,	" " " "	7,000 00
June	8,	" " " "	3,000 00
"	13,	" cash deposited by Principal, (co-order)	352 19
July	5,	" Requisition of this date	1,000 00
"	31,	" cash deposited by Principal, (co-order)	42 00
September	3,	" Requisition of this date	3,000 90
		Total	$39,650 04

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	$28,692 50½	
" " Loans, (Maslin and Brady)	8,000 00	
" Balance	2,957 53½	$39,650 04
1877.		
October 1, Balance in bank		$2,957 53½

Construction and Repairs.

CREDITOR.

1876.		
October 1,	By balance in Bank	$294 36

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	$294 36

Furniture Fund.

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	$39 85

CREDITOR.

1876, October 1, By balance in bank		$29 77
Balance due bank		08

Traveling Expense Fund.

CREDITOR.

1876, October 1, By balance in bank		$117 00
1877, April 12, By Requisition of this date		$300 00
		$417 00

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	$373 40	
" balance	43 60	—$417 00
1877, October 1, Balance in bank		$43 60

Recapitulation.

RECEIPTS.

Current expenses	$31,784 89
Proceeds of loans, (Maslin & Brady)	7,865 15
Construction and repairs	294 36
Furniture fund	39 77
Traveling expense	417 00
Amount of receipts brought forward	$40,401 17

Expenditures.

Current expense	$28,692 50½	
To pay loans	8,000 00	
Construction and repairs	294 36	
Furniture	39 85	
Traveling expense	373 40	—$37,400 11½

Balance on hand.

Current expense	$2,957,53½	
Construction and repairs		
Traveling expense	43 60— 3,001 13½	—$40,401 25

Deduct from the $40,401.25 the balance of 8 cents due the bank on Furniture account and the above account will exactly balance.

WEST VIRGINIA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF, DUMB AND BLIND.

Romney, October 16, 1878.

To the Board of Regents:

Your Executive Committee would respectfully report that they have examined the books and accounts kept by the officers of the Institution, and find them to be correct and supported by satisfactory vouchers. They herewith return a statement of the Institution's bank account for the year ending October 1, 1878.

Signed:

G. W. CRAIG,
S. R. LUPTON,
JOHN T. PEERCE,

H. B. GILKESON, *Secretary*.

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

For the Fiscal Year Ending October 1, 1878.

Current Expenses.

1877.			
October	1,	By balance in bank	$ 2,957 53½
"	1,	" interest on deposits	136 69
"	1,	" cash deposited by Principal	158 50
"	18,	" requisition of this date	5,000 00
December	4,	" " " " "	5,000 00
1878.			
January	31,	By requisition of this date	5,000 00
March	8,	" " " " "	3,000 00
May	1,	" " " " "	5,000 00
July	6,	" " " " "	1,000 00
September	2,	" " " " "	4,000 00
			$31,252 72½

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	$27,536 97⅔
1878.	
October 1, Balance in bank	$3,715 75

Fund for Transportation of Pupils.

CREDITOR.

1877.			
October	1,	By balance in bank	$ 43 60
1878.			
January	31,	By Requisition of this date	100 00
May	1,	" " " "	200 00
			$343 60

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	343 60

Insurance Fund.

CREDITOR.

1877.			
November	10,	By Requisition of this date	$415 00
1878.			
February	2,	By requisition of this date	185 00
			$600 00

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of Principal	$280 00
1878.	
October 1, Balance in bank	320 00
Balance due bank on Furniture Fund	08

Recapitulation.

RECEIPTS

Current expenses	$31,251 72½
Fund for transportation of pupils	343 60
Fund for insurance	600 00
	$32,196 32½

EXPENDITURES.

Currrent expenses	$27,536 97⅔	
Transportation fund	343 60	
Insurance fund	280 00	—$28,160 57⅔

BALANCE ON HAND.

Current expenses	$3,715 75	
Insurance	320 00	— 4,035 75—$32,196 32½

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Board of Regents of the West Virginia Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith present my report in accordance with my duty as medical attendant of this Institution.

Since the last report, it is gratifying to state that there has been but little sickness among the pupils, no epidemics of any kind and no acute or dangerous disorders. The only cases demanding treatment were those constitutional disturbances, incident to changes of weather, &c., and those of hereditary scrofulous diathesis.

At present, the health of the inmates is unusually good, attributable to the healthful location of the Institution, the sanitary rules, which are thorough and well carried out, and the care and attention given the pupils by those in charge. A comparison with the sanitary report of other Institutions of a similar kind cannot be but highly favorable to our own.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. LUPTON, *M. D.*

Teste:—H. B. GILKESON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL.

To the President and Board of Regents of the West Virginia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, and the Blind:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor herewith to submit the seventh report of this Institution, embracing an account of its operations for the two years ending September 30, 1878, as also, of its present condition, and future requirements.

NUMBER OF PUPILS.

The annexed table presents the number of pupils in both departments, at school during the sessions, 1876-77 and 1877-78, and the counties represented by them, as well as those counties from which no pupils have as yet been received:

COUNTIES.	Ses. 1876-7.		Ses 1877-8	
	Deaf Mutes	Blind	Deaf Mutes	Blind
Barbour	2	1		1
Berkeley	4	2	3	2
*Boone				
Braxton	2		2	
Brooke	1		1	
Cabell				1
Calhoun	1		1	1
Clay	3		3	
Doddridge	1			
Fayette	1		1	
†Gilmer				
Grant		1		1
Greenbrier	1			1
Hampshire	4	1	4	
*Hancock				
Hardy	3	1	3	1
Harrison	2		1	
Jackson		2		2
Jefferson	1	2	1	1
Kanawha	1	1	2	2
*Lewis				
†Lincoln				
*Logan				
Marion	3		3	1
Marshall	2		2	
Mason		2	2	3
Mercer				1
Mineral	2		4	
Monongalia	1	1		1
Monroe	1		1	1

COUNTIES.	Ses. 1876-7.		Ses. 1877-8.	
	Deaf Mutes	Blind	Deaf Mutes	Blind
Morgan	1		1	
*McDowell				
Nicholas		1		
Ohio	8	4	10	5
†Pendleton				
Pleasants	1			
Pocahontas	1		2	
Preston		2		2
Putnam	2		2	
*Raleigh				
*Randolph				
Ritchie	2		1	
Roane	2		2	
Summers			1	
Taylor	4	1	2	1
*Tucker				
Tyler			1	
Upshur	2		2	
Wayne			2	
*Webster				
†Wetzel				
†Wirt				
Wood	3	1	6	1
*Wyoming				
Totals	62	23	66	29

*Counties not yet represented.
†Counties which have been represented.

Of the whole number of deaf mutes in attendance during the session 1876–77, thirty-eight were males and twenty-four were females; and of the blind thirteen were males and ten were females. Of the whole number of deaf mutes in attendance during the session 1877–78, thirty-nine were males and twenty-seven females; and of the blind eighteen were males and eleven females.

At the close of the session 1876–77 there were graduated and discharged:

DEAF MUTES.

Males	9	
Females	2	—11

All these had completed the full term of seven years, and were the first graduates of the institution. Again at the close of the session on the 6th of June, 1878, there were graduated and discharged:

DEAF MUTES.

Males	6	
Females	1	—7

BLIND.

Males	3	
Females	2	—5
Total both classes		12

Besides these, three blind male pupils were discharged during the year, the first for an offensive and probably incurable malady, the second for mental imbecility, and the third for want of capacity to be further benefited by a longer continuance at the institution.

On the roll September 13th, 1878:

DEAF MUTES.

Males	47
Females	31—78

BLIND.

Males	15
Females	12—27
Total both classes	105

HEALTH.

It is a source of profound gratulation to the officers and friends of the Institution, that its health record for the past twenty-four months shows no death to have occurred therein among the pupils, officers or teachers, and but little sickness. Indeed, during the period just mentioned, the rooms set apart for hospital purposes have scarcely been occupied, and if at all, more as a matter of convenience than on account of any serious condition of the patient. Still it is our painful duty to record the deaths of two of our pupils since the close of the last session, at their homes; one, for the vacation, the other not to return, his term of pupilage having expired; one of the deaf mute, the other of the blind department. Ella Show, of Shepherdstown, was one of our best deaf mute pupils. She was in somewhat delicate health when she started for home at the close of her third year in June last. Yet it was the hope of her friends that she would so far recover during the season of rest from her studies as to be able to return to school in the fall. It has, however, happened otherwise. She died on the 23d of August, 1878, after a short illness. But it is gratifying to have the assurance that she had learned the full import of the cheering words: "I know that my Redeemer liveth," and in her death she has found their full realization. Her gentle christian character remains as a bright example to her surviving companions.

The bare notice of the death of Richard Steadman, of Ravenswood, being all that has reached us, the event only can be recorded. He had completed his fifth year as a pupil of the blind department.

CLASSES AND STUDIES, SESSION 1876-77.

DEAF MUTES.

Class First—Number of pupils, 13. Studies—Language, Arithmetic, Drawing. Teacher, H. C. Chidester.

Class Second—Number of pupils, 10. Studies—Language, Arithmetic, Drawing, Scripture Lessons. Teacher, Miss L. Kern.

Class Third.—Number of pupils, 13. Studies—Language, Arithmetic, Geography, Drawing, Scripture Lessons. Teacher, E. L. Chapin.

Class Fourth.—Number of pupils, 12. Studies—Language, Geography, Arithmetic, Bible Lessons, Drawing. Teacher, R. G. Ferguson

Class Fifth.—Number of pupils, 13. Studies—Grammar, Geography, History, Bible Lessons, Arithmetic, Drawing, Latin and Algebra. Teacher, O. D. Cooke.

CLASSES AND STUDIES, SESSION 1876-77.

BLIND.

Elementary Classes.—Number of pupils, 12. Studies—Writing, Reading Embossed Books, Spelling, Geography. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.

Higher Class—Number of pupils, 10. Studies—Grammar, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, French. Teacher, H. H. Johnson.

Classes in Music.—Number of pupils on the piano, 9. Number of pupils in vocal music, 12. Mrs. C. Wilson.

Number of pupils in Orchestra, 6. Number of pupils in Brass Band, 7. Teacher, J. W. Pultz.

CHANGE OF TEACHERS.

As a measure of wise economy, for a better classification of the pupils and to strengthen the *morale* of the deaf mute department, you decided at your meeting at the close of the scholastic year, in June, 1877, in accordance with my recommendation, to appoint but four teachers for this department. The wisdom of this action became apparent soon in the more zealous and efficient exertions of the teachers retained, and in a uniform and rapid advancement of the pupils, under the new grading of classes.

At this time, also, Mrs. Cornelia Wilson, who had taught for three years, tendered her resignation as teacher of music in the blind department. The place thus made vacant was not filled until your annual meeting on the 18th of October, 1877, when Miss Minnie Fletcher of Staunton, Virginia, received the appointment and entered on her duties on the 1st November thereafter.

Moreover, in compliance with a recommendation made by me, at your meeting in June, 1877, that a competent female teacher be appointed to give instructions to a certain number of our deaf mute pupils in visible speech, comprising articulation and lip-reading, an appointment was now made tendering the position to Miss Susie W. Allen, a distinguished graduate of Prof. A. Graham Bell's school in Boston, Mass. Having accepted the appointment, Miss Allen arrived soon afterwards and entered on her duties on the 20th November, 1877.

At the close of the last session, the position of music teacher was again made vacant by the resignation of Miss Fletcher, who has since entered into the holy estate of matrimony. The best wishes of the

whole Institution attend her in the new sphere of life and duty. A male teacher is soon to be appointed to fill this vacancy.

In this connection, I desire to speak in terms of high commendation of the faithfulness and efficiency of teachers and officers alike; no lack of zeal or devotedness has been at any time apparent in the discharge of the onerous duties devolved upon them. Especially gatifying have been the results of the year just past.

EXAMINATIONS.

On the 29th, 30th and 31st of May, 1878, the week preceeding the close of the session, examinations of the pupils of both departments were held in the chapel of the Institution, conducted by three gentlemen, whose names are appended to their report, two of whom have devoted most of their lives to the education of the deaf and dumb, and the blind.

The following is the report of the examining committee:

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

ROMNEY, W. VA., May 31, 1878.

To the President and the Board of Regents of the West Virginia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, and the Blind.

GENTLEMEN:—

Agreeably to the request of the Principal of your Institution, Major J. C. Covell, the undersigned have been in attendance upon the examinations of the pupils of your Institution, held on the 29th, 30th and 31st days of the present month.

The following programme which was fully carried out, shows how comprehensive an examination of the several classes was held:—

ORDER OF THE EXAMINATIONS.

Wednesday, May 29th, 1878.

ARITHMETIC, WRITTEN AND MENTAL; ALGEBRA.

CLASS FIRST.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, twelve. Written Arithmetic. Teacher, H. Chidester. Practice in Notation and Numeration, and examples in Addition, Subtraction and Multiplication,

Time of examination, fifteen minutes.

CLASS SECOND.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, three. Mental Arithmetic. Teacher, H. H. Johnson. Notation and Numeration, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division.
Time of examination, fifteen minute.

CLASS THIRD.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fifteen. Written Arithmetic. Teacher, Miss L. Kern. Text Book, Sanford's Primary Arithmetic; Addition, Subtraction and Multiplication, singly and combined.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

CLASS FOURTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, nine. Mental Arithmetic. Pupil-Teacher, Miss Mary Eliason. The Four Rules and Compound Numbers.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

CLASS FIFTH.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fourteen. Written Arithmetic. Text Book, Sandford's Intermediate Arithmetic. Teacher. E. L. Chapin. Addition, Subtraction and Multiplication.
Time of examination, forty-five minutes.

CLASS SIXTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, six. Written Arithmetic. Text Book, Ray's Part Third. Pupil-Teacher, Wm. Sallaz. The Class has completed the book.
Time of examination, forty-five minutes.

CLASS SEVENTH.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, seventeen. Written Arithmetic. Text Book, Sandford's Higher Analytic Arithmetic. Teacher, R. G. Ferguson. This class has gone over three hundred and forty-six pages. from simple numbers to Involution.
Time of examination, one hour.

CLASS EIGHTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, three. Algebra. Text Book, Ray's. Teacher, H. H. Johnson, This class has completed Algebra.
Time of examination, one hour.

Thursday, May 30th, 1878.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR.

CLASS FIRST.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, seven. Text Book, Latham's First Lessons, thirty-one pages. Teacher, H. Chidester.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS SECOND.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, twelve. Text Book, Latham's First Lessons, finished. Teacher, H. Chidester.
Time of examination, twenty minutes.

CLASS THIRD.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, three. Text Book, Butler's Second Reader for the Blind, finished. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS FOURTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, three. Text Book, Butler's Fourth Reader for the Blind, finished. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS FIFTH.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fifteen. Text Book, Keep's First Lessons, finished. Impromptu Actions described in writing. Teacher, Miss L. Kern.
Time of examination, forty-five minutes.

CLASS SIXTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, four. Text Book, Parley's Common School History, read to the eighty-fifth page. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS SEVENTH.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fourteen. Text book, Latham's Reader for Deaf Mutes, finished. Swinton's Language Primer to the fifty-seventh page. Teacher, E. L. Chapin.
Time of examination, forty-five minutes.

CLASS EIGHTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, twenty one. Text Book, Scholars Companion to page 119. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, fifteen minutes.

CLASS NINTH.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, seventeen. Text Book, Swinton's Language Lessons to Analysis; A Diary and Semi-monthly Compositions for the *Tablet*. Teacher, R. G. Ferguson.
Time of examination, forty-five minutes.

CLASS TENTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, seven. Text Book, Bullion's Grammar; Teacher's Lectures, full course. Teacher, H. H. Johnson.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS ELEVENTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, four. Text Book, Cæsar's Latin Commentaries, first book. Teacher, H. H. Johnson.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

CLASS TWELFTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, six. Text Book, Fasquelle's French Course, complete. Teacher, H. H. Johnson.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

Thursday, May 30th, 1878.

VISIBLE SPEECH.

TEACHER, MISS SUSIE ALLEN.

The classes in this department of instruction were not formed until the 20th of November last, since which time each class has been taught one hour daily in each week.

CLASS FIRST.—*Six Pupils.*

One, congenitally deaf, the remaining five lost hearing from one to six years of age. Present standing—Combination of the simple vowel and consonant sounds given by them, as presented to them by written symbols, and the symbols written by them for such sounds from observation of the teacher's vocal organs.

CLASS SECOND.—*Four Pupils.*

Three, congenitally deaf, one lost hearing at eighteen months of age. Present standing—Can articulate words of one syllable in simple sentences as represented to them in Visible Speech symbols.

CLASS THIRD.—*Six Pupils.*

Three born deaf, and three became deaf from one to seven years of age. Present standing—Can read short stories in Visible Speech symbols, and translate the English into the corresponding symbols.

CLASS FOURTH.—*Seven Pupils.*

Three born deaf, and four are partially deaf. Present standing—Have gone over the same ground as the foregoing classes, and having from the first greater facility in the use of articulate sounds, have advanced faster, and can read and translate into symbols language more difficult than the Third Class.

Each Class has had daily exercise with hand-mirrors thus enabling them to read the various vocal combinations from their own organs of speech.

Friday, May 31st, 1878.

GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY.

CLASS FIRST.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, seven. Text Book, Knote's Geography of West Virginia finished. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, fifteen minutes.

CLASS SECOND.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fourteen. Text Book, Cornell's First Steps in Geography, finished. Teacher, E. L. Chapin.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

CLASS THIRD.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, two. Mitchell's Map of the United States embossed. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

NOTE.—Your committee here take occassion to speak in commendation of the maps prepared for the blind of your Institution by Prof. H. H. Johnson. The maps commend themselves by reason of the inexpressiveness of the means used in their preparation, and the readiness with which they respond to the touch.

CLASS FOURTH.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, seventeen. Text Book, Guyot's Common School Geography, Teacher's Edition; Historical and Descriptive Map

Drawing; North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and West Virginia. Teacher, R. G. Ferguson.
Time of examination, one hour.

CLASS FIFTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, five. Text Book, Covell's English History, finished. Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS SIXTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, 4. Text Book, Parley's Common School History Teacher, Miss M. Blue.
Time of examination, ten minutes.

CLASS SEVENTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, ten. Roman History, Teacher's Lectures, finished to period of the empire. Teacher, H. H. Johnson.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

CLASS EIGHTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, seven. Text Book, Well's Natural Philosophy to Acoustics p. 188. Teacher, H. H. Johnson.
Time of examination, twenty minutes.

Friday May 31st, 1878.

BIBLE STUDIES.

CLASS FIRST.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fifteen. Text Book, Peet's Scripture Lessons to page 31. Teacher, Miss L. Kern.
Time of examination, fifteen minutes.

CLASS SECOND.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, fourteen. Text Book, Story of the Bible—Book of Genesis. Teacher, E. L. Chapin.
Time of examination, twenty minutes.

CLASS THIRD.—*Deaf Mutes.*

Number of pupils, seventeen. Text Book, Story of the Bible, from Book of Exodus through I Samuel. Teacher, R. G. Ferguson.
Time of examination, thirty minutes.

CLASS FOURTH.—*Blind.*

Number of pupils, twenty-six. Bible History and Teacher's Lectures.
Teacher, H. H. Johnson.
Time of examination, twenty minutes.

Drawing is a daily exercise in all the deaf mute classes. The three youngest classes draw off hand the forms of objects with crayons on three large slates, from copies suspended at the teacher's slate whilst the two oldest, follow Krusi's system in his synthetic and analytic series of Drawing Books. They are taught by their regular teachers.

Most of the blind receive daily instruction in vocal and instrumental music. Teacher of the Piano, Organ and Vocal Music, Miss M. Fletcher.

NOTE —Your Committee would here make special mention and speak in high commendation of the department of Vocal and Piano Music, conducted during the session by Miss Mildred Fletcher a most highly accomplished performer and vocalist. The music throughout the three days' examinations was remarkable fine, but at the special concert for your Committee, we were struck by the wonderful results attained in execution. and in compass of voice by some of the singers, who promise distinction.

Teacher of Brass Band and Orchestra, Herbert Estes.

The promptness and accuracy shown by the pupils in their responses to the questions propounded and directions given by their teachers, afforded ample evidence of faithful and intelligent labor on the part of the latter, and at the same time, of industrious application on the part of the former.

While it could not be recorded with truth that the results of the examination were absolutely free from errors, simple justice requires us to say that the mistakes noticed were only such as would be inevitable among an equal number of children gathered in an institution like yours; and the range of studies pursued seemed to us as wide as it could properly be made in the number of years of instruction afforded.

In articulation, the results attained after the use of Bell's system of Visible Speech, for six months, were very commendable, and we would strongly recommend the continuance of training in articulation, in cases where success seems attainable.

Of the whole number of your deaf mute pupils it is not probable that more than one-third will be found to be fit subjects for this branch of instruction.

Your Committee take pleasure in expressing their satisfaction with the general managament of the Institution as it came under their notice during their visit.

In all its departments the West Virginia Institution appears to be well equipped and efficiently conducted; doing a work for the deaf

and dumb, and the blind of the State, of which its people may justly be proud, and for the support of which they may appropriate money, with the assurance that the benefits conferred will far exeeed in value any expenses that are likely to be incurred.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. GALLAUDET,
J. C. M. MERILLAT,
G. W. FINLEY.

THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

In this school the deaf mute boys are taught the usual trades, viz: carpentering, cabinet making, shoemaking, tailoring and printing; the blind boys mattress making, broom making and cane seating; and the girls of both departments, plain sewing, knitting, netting and crocheting. The boys are employed from two to five, and the girls from two to four P. M., on five days of the week. The boys are separated into classes, each in charge of an experienced foreman specially qualified for the position assigned him, and the girls form one class, under the immediate Instruction and supervision of the governess. The progress of the pupils in these handicrafts has been in the main creditable, and although the work done by the shops has not proved a source of income to the Institution it has been equal to the outlay. So long as the shops of an Institution, outside of our large cities, make returnsequal to their expenses, they should be regarded as successful in a pecuniary point of view. Besides there is a valuable fund accuring to each pupil in these shops, which will become his capital on his going forth into the active arena of life.

The carpenters' shop has given employment to from six to nine of our largest and oldest deaf mute boys. Besides the erection and completion of the new shop building, their work has been general repairing, furniture, fencing, &c., for the Institution.

The shoe shop gives instruction to from twelve to fifteen boys. Most of the work done is for the inmates, though a considerable amount of work has been done for the people of the county.

From ten to fifteen of the smallest boys find employment in the tailors' shop. The work done here is for the most part for the immediate use of the male pupils. Much of the clothing brought by the pupils is of poor material, not well made, and of course soon needs repairing. For the past three years therefore the aim has been to procure a good article of gray cloth, for uniform suits, have them well made and supply each boy with one suit every session. This has worked well hitherto, and the suits thus made have given general satisfaction.

The printing office selects four or five of our sprightly deaf mute boys for its printers and compositors. These find abundant employment in general job work, and on the columns of their weekly paper, the TABLET. The addition of this office to the industrial school of the Institution will doubtless prove of incalculable advantage to many of

our pupils in all future years, opening up for them as it does so profitable a field for their advancement in the study of the English language.

In the sewing-room, the blind as well as the deaf mute girls are taught the use of the sewing machine, and hand sewing, and make every article of female dress, as also, of underclothing for the boys. The girls are also taught knitting, netting and crocheting.

The mattress, broom and chair shops, are for the exclusive benefit of the blind boys. In them all the blind males have found employment. By them, all the mattresses of the Institution have either been made or renovated; a large number of brooms has been manufactured, and quite a number chairs re-seated. And, seeing that the wants of the Institution have been nearly supplied, and the demand from town and country for work from these shops is both limited and uncertain the grave question presents itself: How are these shops to be sustained, and how are the blind boys of this Institution to be taught trades in the future? To the major portion of the blind, the industrial is of no less dignity than their literary, or musical training, and therefore should receive an equal share of the attention and consideration of Boards and Legislatures. Occupation the blind must have, to them it is a necessity both in a moral and pecuniary point of view. For these and other substantial reasons that institutions for the blind should be located in the largest town or commercial centre of a State, no longer admits of doubt or discussion among the friends and educators of that class. And when the time shall have arrived, and it is not distant, when these buildings will prove of barely sufficient capacity for the deaf mutes of the State alone, shall not then the question be squarely met as to whether the life-long interests of this class of our unfortunate fellow citizens do not demand their removal to some business centre of the State and that a separate establishment be then erected for them.

INCREASE OF LIBRARY.

The Library of the Institution was materially augmented in the summer of 1877, by adding to it Appleton's New American Encyclopedia, consisting of sixteen volumes, octavo; and fifty-three volumes on miscellaneous subjects, and during the past summer by adding fifty-four volumes more on a variety of interesting subjects. It is proper here to notice the generous donation of four of the sixteen volumes of the Encyclopedia by the publishers themselves, which enabled me to place the full set in the library at the small cost of seventy-two dollars. There are now four hundred volumes in the Library, the growth of the last four years, and I trust it will meet the views of this and all succeeding Boards to appropriate a suitable sum annually for the increase of so important an adjunct in the education of our pupils.

COUNTY CLAIMS.

The total amount due to the Institution from thirty-two counties for clothing furnished pupils up to the 1st of October, 1878, is $3,182 83, viz: still uncollected of accounts of 1875, $234.41; of 1876, $508 33; of 1877, $887.62; and of 1878, $1,552.47. The aggregate amount of these claims is increased from year to year, owing to the delays and difficulties attending their collection. A large amount of book-keeping is made necessary, and the repeated rendering of itemized accounts, in the majority of cases, with no adequate returns. In the last report under this head, I recomended a modification of the law, section 9, chapter 71 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1871, so that the State Auditor might become the collector of these claims as other moneys are collected by him and paid into the Treasury of the State. At this time however, in view of the preceeding facts, and an important fact in addition, namely, that all the counties of the State, but ten, have been and are now in a great part represented here, I would respectfully recommend that so much of section 9 of chapter 71 of the Acts of 1871, as provides for the clothing of the pupils be repealed and stricken out, thus amending and re-enacting said section, only with the omision mentioned, and that the item of clothing be included and allowed in the general appropriation for the current expenses and annual support of the Institution. Provided, that the amount above given as due the Institution on the 1st of October, 1878, shall not be affected by the proposed amendment.

REAL ESTATE.

In order to bring the matter once again to the consideration of the Legisiature, I fell constrained to renew my recommendation, that you apply for a special appropriation for the purchase of the valuable grass lot, containing between ten and eleven acres, lying north of the grounds of the Institution and contiguous thereto. This lot is very much needed for the pasturage of the live stock of the Institution, which, from year to year we are compelled to hire at some inconvenient distance; to afford sufficient space about the buildings, for a roadway, drainage, and the improvement of the grounds in the rear; to relieve and furnish opportunity for improving by cultivation the greatly impoverished, and almost worn out land, which for so many years has been in use as a pasture lot, without much care and attention. This lot which was held at three thousand dollars, could now I believe, be purchased for twenty-five hundred dollars, and for very little additional, a contiguous range of forty acres can be included in the purchase, making fifty acres in all. I therefore recommend that a special appropriation of twenty-five hundred dollars be applied for, for this purpose.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION, &c.

In estimating the amount of appropriation required for the support of the Institution for the next two years, in view of the regular annual increase in the number of our pupils, the fact that one hundred and five are already enrolled for the session just begun, all of whom when present will fill our building to its full capacity, besides the probability that the cost of living will not become any lower than it has been for the present year, but on the other hand, that a revival of business will cause prices to average higher, I am convinced, that the amount appropriated for the past two years will not be in excess of the sound requirements of the Institution, and do recommend a general appropriation of twenty-eight thousand dollars per annum for all purposes of current expenditures, and a special appropriation of four hundred dollars per annum for the traveling expenses of indigent pupils. Moreover permit me to urge the importance of extending the appropriations over a period of two years and six months from the 1st of October, 1878, for the well-known fact that the Institution has already been, and unless this is done, will again be forced to borrow funds, or struggle on empty handed for the first half of every Legislative year, thus materially augmenting its expenses, to say nothing of the inconveniences, delays, and uncertainties attending such a state of things.

In conclusion, to you gentlemen, of the Board, I tender my sincere thanks for a uniform concurrence in my endeavors to promote the interest of the Institution, and trust that in the future amidst the cares and responsibilities devolved upon me, I may still feel sustained by your countenance and support.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. C. COVELL,
Principal.

October 1*st*, 1878.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

It is our pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of the following papers and periodicals during the past two years, sent gratuitously, or as exchanges, and do hereby tender the thanks of the Institution to the publishers and solicit a continuance of their favors:

NAME.	WHERE PUBLISHED.
Morgan Mercury	Berkeley Springs, W. Va.
Kanawha Gazette	Charleston, W. Va.
Spirit of Jefferson	Charlestown, W. Va.
Wayne Advocate	Fort Gay, W. Va.
Times	Gerardstown, W. Va.
Sentinel	Grafton, W. Va.
Advertiser	Huntington, W. Va.
Commercial	Huntington, W. Va
Tribune	Keyser, W. Va.
Journal	Kingwood, W Va.
Stateman	Martinsburg, W. Va.
Examiner	Moorefield, W. Va
Times and Gazette	Parkersburg, W. Va.
State Journal	Parkersburg, W. Va.
Plaindealer	Philippi, W. Va.
Register	Union, W. Va.
Monitor	Point Pleasant, W. Va.

NAME.	WHERE PUBLISHED.
Democrat	Weston, W. Va.
Mountain Messenger	Keyser, W. Va.
Standard	Wheeling, W. Va.
Eagle	Grafton, W. Va.
West Virginian	Fairmont, W Va.
Amer can Annals	Washington, D .C.
Camden Journal	Camden, S. C.
Deaf Mutes' Journal	Mexico, N Y.
Deaf Mute Advance	Jacksonville, Ill.
Educator	New York, N. Y.
Deaf Mute	Danville, Ky.
Mutes' Chronicat	Columbus, O.
Goodson Gazette	Staunton, Va.
Deaf Mute Mirror	Flint, Mich.
Kansas Star	Olathe, Kan.
Mute Journal	Omaha, Neb.
Deaf Mute Index	Colorado Springs, Col.
Mute Ranger	Austin, Texas.
Wisconsin Deaf Mute	Delavan, Wis
Philomathean Argus	Columbus, Ohio.

We would specially recognize the courtesy and liberality of the officers of the Baltimore and Ohio, and the Chesapeake and Ohio railroads in issuing half-fare tickets to our pupils going to and returning from their homes; as also of the proprietors of the Winchester, and of the Green Spring Run line of stages, and express to them our thanks for care and attention bestowed upon these children.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Herewith are presented my receipts and disbursements, as Principal, for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1877.

CURRENT EXPENSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

1876			
Oct. 1st, To Balance in Bank	$ 2,759 80		
" Requisition on Auditor	28,000 00		
" Loan of Maslin & Brady, (net)	7,865 15		
" Interest on deposits	180 53		
" Cash from Counties, deposited	844 56	—	$39,650 04
" " Balance on hand	94 96		
" " From shops	308 00		
" " " Hay scales	8 75		
" " " Clothing	82 05		
" " " Old stoves	10 00		
" " " Bedsteads	28 00		
" " " Pupils for R. R. Tickets	126 35		
" " " Sundries	59 21	—	667 32
Total			$40,317 36

DISBURSEMENTS.

1876-7.			
Sept. 30. For ordinary current expenses	$25,083 68		
" Repayment of Loans	8,000 00		
" Extraordinary expenses	3,608 83	—	$36,692 51
" Cash expended as per vouchers	537 86		
Oct. 1, 1877, By Cash Balance on hand	129 46		
" Balance in Bank of Wheeling	2,957 53½	—	3,624 85½
Total			$40,317 36

Itemized Account of Current Expenses for the Fiscal year Ending Sept. 30, 1877.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Bacon	309 81	
Butter	605 90½	
Board of pupils in vacation	51 66	
Corn meal	4 07	
Coffee	354 72	
Corn starch	1 20	
Crackers	3 58½	
Cheese	12 02	
Eggs	174 57	
Fish, salt	13 12	
Flour	65 30	
Fruit	272 70	
Ice	22 42	
Hominy	5 00	
Lard	45 09	
Milk	5 32	
Meats	1,808 97	
Molasses	162 18	
Maccaroni	6 00	
Poultry	141 72	
Rice	37 36	
Spirits	9 00	
Spices	43 40	
Sugar	619 56	
Salt	15 55	
Tea	58 25	
Vegetables	322 76	
Vinegar	34 60	
Wheat	742 49½	—5,948 33½

SALARIES AND WAGES.

Principal, Officers and Teachers	$8,880 00	
Foreman of Shops	1,365 00	
Servants and extra services	3,070 39	—$13,315 39

CLOTHING AND SUNDRIES MDSE.

Clothing for pupils	867 60	
Dry goods for pupils	353 87	
Sundries mdse.	313 23	—$1,534 70

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

American Annals	24 00	
Books and stationery	222 17	
Stamps and envelopes	42 53	
Books for Library	96 83	
Thermometers	6 00	— $391 53

FUEL

Coal and wood	$ 1,423 10	— $1,423 10

LIGHTS.

Gasoline	$476 24	— $476 24

FURNITURE.

Beds and bedding	$59 03	
Bedsteads, (Iron)	83 00	
Crockery	28 95	
Door mats	5 85	
Furniture, chamber	46 00	
Matting	28 50	
Piano, balanceon	75 00	
Sewing Machines	75 00	— $406 33

MUSIC.

Books and sheets	$25 14	
Tuning instruments	15 00	— $40 14

MEDICINES.

Miscellaneous	$24 40	— $24 40

PROVENDER.

Corn	$116 94	
Fodder, Hay and Offal	92 54	— $209 48

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Brick	$ 44 65	
Bricks, fire	26 85	
Bake oven	20 00	
Cement	9 25	
Cut stone	22 50	
Drain pipe	20 70	
Glass and paints	108 88	
Gas fixtures	8 05	
Iron pipe	39 05	
Lumber	219 54	
Lime	5 50	
Labor	310 35	
Painting	158 50	
Paints	63 45	
Repairs, miscellaneous	172 03	
Shrubbery and flowers	57 15	
Upright boiler	456 70	
Whitewashing	39 25	
Water closets	308 06	—$2,090 46

LAUNDRY.

Indigo	4 75	
Soap	211 12	
Starch	11 79	
Soda	13 52	— $241 18

MISCELLANEOUS.

Blacksmithing	56 72	
Freights and express	387 15	
Hardware and stove	225 62½	
Live stock	55 20	
Medals for prizes	70 00	
Manure	11 50	
Miscellaneous	7 79	

Fire hose	196 50	
Garden tools	22 01	
Garded seeds	19 33	
Sleigh	10 00	
Straw	5 00	
Toll	19 36	
Traveling expenses Regents	465 40	
Traveling expenses Pupils	300 34	
Traveling expenses Principal	75 00	
Water closet band paper	10 00	
Water rent	40 00	—$1,976 93½

LOANS.

Bills payable Maslin & Brady	$6,000 00	
Bills payable Maslin & Brady, interest	2,034 16	—$8,034 16

PRINTING OFFICE.

Job press	30 00	
Paper, news	15 55	
Type	48 62	
Type and material	70 66	— $164 83

MATTRESS AND BROOM SHOP.

Husks for mattresses	31 53	
Moss for mattresses	131 73	
Handles for brooms	7 25	— $170 57

SHOE SHOP.

Leather	765 36	
Shoe findings	17 24	— $782 60
		$37,230 37

DEDUCT BILLS PAYABLE.

Extraordinary expenses	$8,000 00	
Ordinary current expenses	4,146 69	—$12,146 69
		$25,083 68

CONSTRUCTION FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 1, 1876. By balance in bank		$294 36

DISBURSEMENTS.

Nov. 27, 1876. To check Bank of Wheeling	$294 36	

FURNITURE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 1, 1876. By balance in bank		$39 77
By balance overdrawn		08

DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct. 3, 1876. To check Bank of Wheeling	$18 20	
Nov. 17, 1876. To check Bank of Wheeling	21 65	
	$39 85 —	$39 85

PUPILS' TRAVELING EXPENSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Oct 1, 1876. By balance in bank	$117 00
May 1, 1877. By Requisition	300 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To check on Bank of Wheeling	$373 40	
Oct. 1. To balance in bank	43 60	
	$417 00 —	$417 00
Oct. 1, 1877. By balance in bank		$43 60

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Receipts and Disbursements on Current Expense Account for the Fiscal Year ending Sept. 30, 1878.

CURRENT EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 1, 1877. To Balance in bank	$2,957 54	
" Cash from counties	158 50	
" Requisitions	28,000 00	
" Interest on deposits	136 69—	$31,252 73

DISBURSEMENTS.

Sept. 30, 1878. By drafts on Bank of Wheeling	$27,536 98	
" Balance in bank	3,715 75—	$31,252 73

Itemized Account of Current Expenses for the Fiscal Year Ending Sept. 30, 1878.

PROVISIONS AND GROCERIES.

Bacon	$506 33
Bread	9 84
Butter	704 55¾
Biking Powder	3 99
Buckwheat	5 87
Cheese	11 59
Coffee	306 48
Crackers	3 57
Eggs	149 48
Fish	17 10
Fowls	100 58
Fruits	351 92
Fresh meats	1,665 19
Hominy	16 05
Hops and Honey	4 70
Ice	73 50
Meal	6 42
Milk	29 04
Molasses	102 22
Oysters	3 60
Potatoes	174 69
Rice	18 13
Salt	21 00

Spices	43 95	
Sugar	738 88	
Tea	33 58	
Turkeys	115 64	
Vegetables, miscellaneous	127 61¼	
Vinegar	25 55	
Wheat	1,110 00	— $6,481 06

SALARIES AND WAGES.

Salaries	$8,391 25	
Wages	4,239 97	—$12,631 22

CLOTHING.

Buttons, thread and needles	$88 42	
Calico	103 70	
Collars	22 04	
Combs	11 10	
Corsets	30 00	
Cotton, bleached	29 94	
Cotton, brown	61 52	
Cotton, yarn	4 00	
Drilling and denims	27 14	
Flannel	12 42	
Gingham	3 47	
Hats and gloves	56 50	
Handkerchiefs	21 30	
Hose	30 85	
Linen	6 18	
Miscellaneous, suits &c	251 22	
Skirtings	9 72	
Shoes	98 07	
Suspenders	10 00	
Shawls	15 37	
Tooth brushes	9 15	— $902 11

FURNITURE.

Carpets, oil cloth, &c	$ 82 71	
Clocks	16 75	
Crash for towels	43 05	
Cotton bats	9 00	
Feathers	4 00	
Kitchen furniture	39 19	
Chamber furniture	121 25	
Miscellaneous furniture	34 81	
Mats and brushes	13 08	
Napkins	9 00	
Sheeting	43 32	
Table ware	47 95	
Ticking	93 85	
Tin ware and repairs	15 80	
Window shades	14 50	— $588

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Blacksmithing	$ 58 54	
Brick	34 30	
Castings and bath tubs	191 90	
Cement and calcicake	39 42	
Flowers and shrubs	11 10	

Fittings, steam and gas	77 27	
Garden seeds	4 62	
Glass and putty	8 99	
Glue and indelible ink	3 04	
Lime	17 25	
Lumber	119 30	
Miscellaneous Hardware	77 84	
Nails	3 50	
Painting	12 60	
Paints and oils	89 84	
Range fixtures	30 00	
Rope	16 47	
Repairs	14 50	
Towel rollers	4 50	
Water pipe	202 92	
Whitewashing	40 30	— $1,058 20

ICE HOUSE.

Lumber	$101 93	
Nails	9 15	
Masonry	28 25	
Wages	80 50	— $219 83

LIGHTS.

Alcohol	$ 7 80	
Coal oil	10 87	
Gasoline	353 96	
Lamp chimneys	4 25	
Matches	4 66	— $381 04

FUEL.

Coal	$993 76	
Wood	399 90	— $1,393 66

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

American Annals	$ 25 60	
Books for library	25 53	
Checks stamped	26 00	
Magazines and books for Blind	18 75	
Paper and envelopes	68 74	
Pencils, ink and pens	18 56	
School books	125 53	
Slates	2 70	— $311 41

MUSIC AND INSTRUMENTS.

Books	$ 5 51	
Piano stool and covers	50 90	
Guitars	18 80	
Sheet music	1 63	
Violin and viol strings	15 40	— $92 24

MEDICINES.

Miscellaneous	$56 97	— $56 97

PROVENDER.

Corn	$76 05
Hay	29 89

Oil	46 84	
Oats	20 18—	$172 46

LAUNDRY.

Baskets	4 08	
Indigo	15 60	
Soap	314 59	
Soda	11 30	
Starch	13 48	
Stove for irons	21 00—	$380 05

MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertising	41 05	
Barber, hair cutting, &c	9 00	
Christmas entertainment	18 09	
Fertilizers	53 60	
Freight and express	595 15	
Garden tools and game	4 50	
Live stock	84 43	
Postage	63 92	
Pasture	40 00	
Straw and soap	11 68	
Segars	4 10	
Traveling expenses	403 85	
Toll and trunk	29 49	
Water interest	40 00—	$1,398 86

BROOM AND MATTRESS SHOP.

Handles	5 90	
Moss	86 63	
Shucks	19 51	
Twine	9 67	
Tufting	3 04	
Wire	7 61—	$132 37

SHOE SHOP.

Findings	19 66	
Leather, calf	130 03	
Leather, kip	145 26	
Leather, upper	72 28	
Leather, sole	260 80	
Linings and nails	24 22	
Tools	2 40	
Upper	110 97—	$765 02

TAILOR SHOP.

Alpaca	11 70	
Cassimere	306 13	
Crayons and wax	73	
Drill	4 74	
Laconia	10 00	
Shears	5 00—	$338 30

PRINTING OFFICE.

Ink	3 40	
Lye	75	
Paper	37 25	
Rollers and cards	10 00	
Type	24 03—	$75 43

COUNTY CLAIMS TRANSFERRED.

To cash account	$158 50—	$158 50
		$27,536 98

PUPILS' TRAVELING EXPENSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

1877.		
October 1, By balance in bank		$ 43 60
By requisitions		300 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

1878.		
September 30, To draft on bank	$343 60	
	$343 60—	$343 60

INSURANCE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

1878.		
September 30, By requisition		$600 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

September 30, To drafts on bank	$280 00	
To balance in bank	320 00	
	$600 00—	$600

Receipts and Disbursements on Cash Accounts for the Six Months Ending March 31, 1878.

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

1877.		
October 1, To balance in hands of Principal	$129 46	
To cash from shops	292 26	
To cash from counties	451 16	
To cash from sundries	32 63—	$905 51

DISBURSEMENTS.

1878.		
March 31, By cash as per vouchers	$553 50	
By cash balance	352 01—	$905 51

ITEMIZED STATEMENT.

Books for the blind	9 50	
Blacking	8 00	
Cards for printing office	12 30	
Games for pupils	7 40	
Lanterns and candles	4 75	
Meteorological instruments	64 25	
Music, violin, strings, books	42 55	
Medicine	4 50	
Miscellaneous	3 35	
Piano	325 00	
Sundries	5 43	
Type for printing office	6 00	
Traveling expenses	22 00	
Uppers for shoe shop	17 72	
Visible speech charts and books	20 75—	$553 50

Receipts and Disbursements on Cash Account for the Six Months Ending September 30th, 1878.

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

1878.			
April 1,	To balance in hands of Principal	$352 01	
	To cash from shops	95 50	
	To cash from counties	765 92	
	To cash from sundries	232 63	—$1,443 06

DISBURSEMENTS.

Sept. 30,	By cash as per vouchers	$990 66	
	By cash balance	445 40	—$1,446 06

ITEMIZED STATEMENT.

American Bible Society	6 00	
Books for library	65 26	
Books for schools	27 71	
Baking tubs	6 15	
Cards for printing office	6 69	
Carpeting	78 01	
Cane for chairs	4 10	
Circus tickets	20 00	
Commode Pails	9 00	
Calcicake and calcimining	16 35	
Cake moulds	1 58	
Flowers and shrubs	13 20	
Lamp chimneys	10 25	
Laundry, washing machine	235 00	
Medals for prizes	52 00	
Napkins	2 00	
Sewing machine	30 00	
Table ware, spoons, &c.	10 58	
Traveling expenses of Executive Committee	23 00	
Traveling expenses of Principal	58 70	
Traveling expenses of Pupils	264 10	
Tacks for brooms	98	—$990 66
1878.		
Oct. 1, Balance of cash unexpended		$455 48

Aggregate Amount of Work Done in Shops and Sewing Room During the Fiscal Year Ending Sept. 30, 1877.

Shoe shop	$1,145 81
Tailor shop	660 68
Mattress shop	420 01
Carpenter shop	597 00
Sewing room	350 96
	$3,174 46

Statement of Work Done in Shops During the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 1878.

CARPENTER SHOP.

Oct. 1, 1877, By balance	$1,628 49
Sept. 30, 1878, By amount of work	457 55

Sept. 30, 1878, To wages	$ 328 00	
Sept. 30, 1878, To balance	1,758 04	
	$2,086 04	$2,086 04
Oct. 1, 1878, By balance in favor of shops		$1,758 04

SHOE SHOP.

Oct. 1, 1878, To balance	$ 196 64	
Sept. 30, 1878, To material and wages	1,240 05	
Sept. 30, 1878, By amount finished work		1,357 94
Sept. 30, 1878, By material and unfinished work		178 60
Oct. 1, 1878, To balance	99 85	
	$1,536 54	$1,536 54
Oct. 1, 1878, By balance in favor of shop		$99 85

TAILOR SHOP.

Oct. 1, 1877, By balance		7 16
Sept 30, 1878, By amount of work		819 38
Sept. 30, 1878, To material and wages	794 76	
Sept. 30, 1878, To balance	31 78	
	$826 54	$826 54
Oct. 1, 1878, By balance in favor of shop		$31 78

MATTRESS AND BROOM SHOP.

Oct. 1, 1877, By balance		$142 20
Sept. 30, 1878, By amount of work		504 63
Sept. 30, 1878, To material and wages	$220 40	
Sept. 30, 1878, To balance	426 43	
	$646 83	646 83
Oct. 1, 1878, By balance in favor of shop		426 43

SEWING ROOM

Sept. 20, 1878, By amount of work	$386 91

THE ROLL

OF THE

NAMES OF THE DEAF MUTE PUPILS

FOR THE SESSION 1877-8.

MALES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Ash, G. E	Wicks	Tyler.
Beckendorf, D	Wheeling	Ohio.
Becker, J. H	Martinsburg	Berkeley.
Broscius, William	Paw Paw	Morgan.
Bolen, William H	New Haven	Mason.
Breedlove	Charleston	Kanawha.
Bailey, Charles A	Leading Creek	Lewis.
Burgess, William T	Oak Hill	Fayette.
Cannan, G. L. S	Wheeling	Ohio.
Cutright, A. H	French Creek	Upshur.
Campbell, ——	Sink's Grove	Monroe.
Damron, G. H	Fort Gay	Wayne.
Davis, William	Johnstown	Harrison.
Detrick, ——	Mountain Home	Grant.
Demoss, Andrew	Volcano	Wood.
Elliott, A	Piedmont	Mineral.
Fawnash, C	French Creek	Upshur.
Fox, Sam. Jr	Tate Creek	Braxton.
Fox, McD	Spencer	Roane.
Harman, J. R	Raymond City	Putnam.
Hudspeth, D. R	Mouth of Scary	Putnam.
Jenkins, Ben	Moorefield	Hardy.
Keener, U. S. G	Grafton	Taylor.
Lavelle, J. E	Cornwallis	Ritchie.
Looman, E. E	Mannington	Marion.
Lepley, A. G	Clarksburg	Harrison.
Marsh, H. E	Marshall	Texas.
McCoy, G. W	Parkersburg	Wood.
McClung, W. W	Williamsburg	Greenbrier.
Meace, ——	Charleston	Kanawha.
Meadows, James	Malden	Kanawha.
Nee, Mike	Clarksburg	Harrison.
Norris, Isaac	Independence	Taylor.
Piles, J. S. B	Huntersville	Pocahontas.
Rodgers, George R	Sandyville	Jackson.
Raines, V. B. C	Moorefield	Hardy.

DEAF MUTES—*Males.*

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Rock, R. E.	Charleston	Kanawha.
Rollins, Dan	Central Station	Doddridge.
Reet, John T.	Moorefield	Hardy.
Slonnaker, W. T.	Wardensville	Hardy.
Shultz, W. W.	Parkersburg	Wood.
Stewart, R.	Darksville	Berkeley.
Stoehr, H	Wheeling	Ohio.
Taylor, E. W.	Hawk's Nest	Fayette.
White, Monroe	Junction	Hampshire.
Williams, S	Wirt C. H.	Wirt.

FEMALES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Bartlett, Em	Mannington	Marion.
Breemer, Tilda	Wheeling	Ohio.
Crislip, V. F	Reedyville	Roane.
Cooper, Sarah	Big Bend	Calhoun.
Cooper, G. B.	Fayetteville	Fayette.
Cottle, M. J.	Forest Hill	Summers.
Davis Christiana.	Mannington	Marion.
Dellinger, M. C.	Smith's Gap	Hampshire.
Damron, R.	Fort Gay	Wayne.
Fox, Susan	Tate Creek	Braxton.
Guinn, Polly.	Parkersburg	Wood.
Hitchcock, A. V.	Wheeling	Ohio.
Huddleston, M.	Castle	Andrew, Mo.
Miller, Kate	Wheeling	Ohio.
McIntire, Ida	Enterprise	Harrison.
Maupin, A.	Arbuckle	Mason.
Metz, M. A.	New Martinsville	Wetzel.
Orr, F. P.	Holliday's Cove	Brooke.
Osborne, S	Wheeling	Ohio.
Pierson, E. M.	Pleasant Retreat	Clay.
Reynolds, L	St. Mary's.	Pleasants.
Ravenscraft, S. A.	Keyser.	Mineral.
Rodgers, V. M	Sandyville	Jackson.
Sine, M. A	Moundsville	Marshall.
Stickley, M. J	Moorefield	Hardy.
Snyder, F. C	Keyser.	Mineral.
Smith, S. F.	Purgitsville	Hampshire.
Wayman, Cora.	Moundsville.	Marshall.
Wayman, Bessie.	Moundsville.	Marshall.
Witschy, Mary.	New Martinsville.	Wetzel.
Wisner, Em	Wheeling	Ohio.

THE ROLL

OF THE

NAMES OF THE BLIND PUPILS

FOR THE SESSION 1877-8.

MALES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Borer, J R.	Charleston	Kanawha.
Ball, Calvin	Milton	Cabell.
Christopher, S	Bruceton	Preston.
Cox, J. W C.	Arnettsville	Monongalia.
Dobson, W	Midway	Jefferson.
Goode, W. V.	Morgantown	Monongalia.
Hensley, F.	Piney Grove	Kanawha.
Liston. George	Bruceton	Preston.
Metz, W. E	Sycamore	Calhoun.
Mooney, W. H.	Wheeling	Ohio.
McGee, M. J	Wheeling	Ohio.
Porter, J. B	New Haven	Mason.
Prudence, H. D	Ravenswood	Jackson.
Williams, J. B.	Williamsburg	Greenbrier.
Williams, Bolivar	Williamsburg	Greenbrier.
Merryman, Harry	Wellsburg	Brooke.

FEMALES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Bowden, M. C	Alderson	Monroe.
Cox, Lucy	Indian Mills	Summers.
Dunavan E F	Wheeling	Ohio.
Dennis, Sallie.	Lunside	Monroe.
Davidson, V.	Inkerman	Hardy.
Hurd, Effie J.	Smith's Gap	Hampshire.
Hutton, M	Petersburg	Grant.
Jarvis, Lillie	Grafton	Taylor.
Kauff, E.	Clifton	Mason.
Lucas, N.	Shanghai	Berkeley.
Martin, M. J.	Fowler's Knob	Nicholas.
Nestor, Mich.	Farmington	Marion.

TERMS OF ADMISSION OF PUPILS.

I. All Deaf Mutes and Blind persons in the State, of sound mind and body, between the ages of eight and twenty-five years, are entitled to admission free of charge.

II. Such as are unable to defray their own traveling expenses will receive assistance from the Institution on application to the Principal. By law clothing may be furnished by the Institution to pupils not otherwise provided, in an amount not exceeding forty dollars per annum and charged to their respective counties.

III. The sessions of the school commence on the first Monday of September in each year, and continue for the space of forty weeks.

IV. The regular term of pupilage is five years and the Principal may, with the consent of the Board, select for an additional term of three years, such as would be especially benefitted thereby.

V. All Deaf Mute applicants should give full and explicit answers to the following questions:

1. Give the name of applicant in full.

2. Where was applicant born?

3. Was the applicant born deaf? If not at what age did applicant lose hearing and how?

4. What is the degree of deafness.

5. Can applicant hear the human voice at all?

6. To what extent has instructions been given?

7. Can applicant speak at all?

8. Can applicant hear well enough to be benefited by common school instructions?

9. Has applicant any bodily infirmity or deformity or mental defect?

10. Are any of the applicant's relatives Deaf or Dumb, and if so, the cause thereof, and state relationship?

11. What are the names, occupation and postoffice of parents or guardians?

12. Was there any relationship between parents before marriage? What?

13. Has the applicant ever had any contagious disease? If so what and when?

14. Has the applicant been vaccinated?

VI. If the applicant is Blind, give answers to all the foregoing questions, excepting Nos. 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8, for which the following are substituted, namely:

3. Was the applicant born blind? If not at what age did he or she lose sight and how?

4. What is the degree of blindness?

5. Is it total? Can applicant distinguish luminous objects?

6. Can applicant see large objects?

7. Can applicant see common print?

8. Can applicant be taught in the common schools for sighted children?

VII. Blank forms of application embracing all the foregoing questions will be furnished by the Principal.

VIII. Pupils from other States can be admitted for $200.00 a year, in advance.

IX. It is impossible to furnish board, lodging, etc., to persons visiting or bring pupils to the Institution.

Daily stages run from Green Spring Run depot, Baltimore and Ohio railroad, to Romney; and tri-weekly from Winchester, Virginia, on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays.

All applications and letters concerning Institution matters should be addressed to the Principal. All letters for pupils should be sent to "his care." Persons sending packages to the pupils should always prepay charges and add as part of the direction, "in care of the agent at Green Spring Run."

J. C. COVELL,
Principal.